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Office Action Summary	Application No. 10/653,210	Applicant(s) SAKAI ET AL.	
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Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 02 September 2005.
- 2a) ☒ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☐ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1,3-14 and 16-32 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 1,3-14 and 16-32 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☐ The drawing(s) filed on _____ is/are: a) ☐ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
 3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

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DETAILED ACTION

Response to Amendment

1. This action is in response to the communication filed on September 2, 2005.
2. Claims 1, 3-14 and 16-32 are pending in this action. Claims 1, 5, 6, 11, 14, 18-22, 24 and 27-32 have been amended. Claims 2 and 15 have been canceled.
3. The applicant's arguments with respect to claims 1, 3-14 and 16-32 have been fully considered but they are not deemed to be persuasive. For examiner's response to the applicant's arguments or comments, see the detailed discussion in the Response to the Arguments section.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102

4. The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless –

(e) the invention was described in (1) an application for patent, published under section 122(b), by another filed in the United States before the invention by the applicant for patent or (2) a patent granted on an application for patent by another filed in the United States before the invention by the applicant for patent, except that an international application filed under the treaty defined in section 351(a) shall have the effects for purposes of this subsection of an application filed in the United States only if the international application designated the United States and was published under Article 21(2) of such treaty in the English language.

5. Claims 1, 3-14 and 16-32 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being anticipated by Norton et al. (US 6,510,411).

As per claim 1, Norton teaches, "an information processing apparatus for executing a process with respect to an input form displayed on a display screen on the basis of input speech", comprising:

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"storage means for storing input form associated with the input form" (col. 5, lines 9-13);

"information speech recognition means for recognizing the input speech" (col. 5, lines 16-18); and

"selection means information corresponding to speech recognition result of said speech recognition means" (col. 5, lines 16-32).

"display control means for controlling a display pattern of an input form corresponding to the input form information selected by said selection means" (col. 5, lines 16-51).

As per claim 3, Norton teaches, "wherein the input form information includes an input form name of the input form" (col. 5, lines 36-51, here "form name" is "concept").

As per claim 4, Norton teaches, "wherein the input form information includes layout information indicating a position of the input form" (Fig. 5).

As per claim 5, Norton teaches, "wherein said display control means displays the input form corresponding to the input form information selected by said selection means in a second display pattern which is different from a first display pattern of other input forms" (Fig. 5).

As per claim 6, Norton teaches, "wherein said display control means displays the input form corresponding to the input form information selected by said selection means at the center on the display Screen" (Fig. 5).

As per claim 7, Norton teaches, "informing means for, when selection by said selection means is settled, informing that message" (col. 5, lines 28-32).

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As per claim 8, Norton teaches, "wherein the input form information includes an input form name of the input form, and layout information indicating a position of the input form" (Fig. 5),

said apparatus further comprises determination means for determining if the speech recognition result of said speech recognition means corresponds to the input form name or the layout information, and said selection means selects input form information corresponding to the speech recognition result of said speech recognition means on the basis of a determining result of said determination means" (col. 5, lines 15-51).

As per claim 9, Norton teaches, "wherein the input form information includes layout information indicating a position of the input form, and said speech recognition means recognizes the input speech using speech recognition grammar data used to recognize speech for specifying the layout information" (Fig. 5).

As per claim 10, Norton teaches, "wherein the speech recognition grammar data includes data used to recognize at least one of a relative position expression indicating a relative position form, and an absolute position expression absolute position of the input form" (Fig. 5).

As per claim 11, Norton teaches, "wherein the speech recognition grammar data includes data used to recognize if the absolute position expression corresponds to overall contents including the input form or a display range on the display screen" (Fig. 5).

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As per claim 12, Norton teaches, wherein when the input form is implemented by a hypertext document, the input form information includes a tag indicating the input form" (col. 3, lines 26-36).

As per claim 13, Norton teaches, "wherein the hypertext document describes a tag used to execute of the input indicating an speech recognition by said speech recognition means" (col. 3, lines 26-36).

As per claims 14 and 16-32, they are interpreted and thus rejected for the same reasons set forth in the rejection of claims 1-13.

Response to Arguments

6. The applicant argues that nothing in Norton et al. would teach or suggest at least selecting input form information corresponding to a speech recognition result, and controlling a display pattern of an input form corresponding to the selected input form information.

The examiner disagrees with above assertion because Norton teaches selecting input form information corresponding to a speech recognition result, and controlling a display pattern of an input form corresponding to the selected input form information at Fig. 1, element 140. the detailed description given at Fig. 4 and 5, and at col. 28, lines 29-67.

Conclusion

7. **THIS ACTION IS MADE FINAL.** Applicant is reminded of the extension of time policy as set forth in 37 CFR 1.136(a).

A shortened statutory period for reply to this final action is set to expire **THREE MONTHS** from the mailing date of this action. In the event a first reply is filed within **TWO MONTHS** of the mailing date of this final action and the advisory action is not mailed until after the end of the **THREE-MONTH** shortened statutory period, then the shortened statutory period will expire on the date the advisory action is mailed, and any extension fee pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a) will be calculated from the mailing date of the advisory action. In no event, however, will the statutory period for reply expire later than **SIX MONTHS** from the mailing date of this final action.

Contact Information

8. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to **Abul K. Azad** whose telephone number is **(571) 272-7599**. If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, **Richemond Dorvil**, can be reached at **(571) 272-7602**.

Any response to this action should be mailed to:

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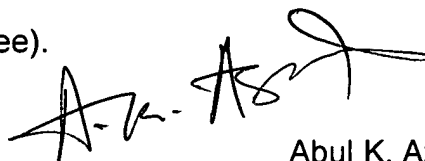
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November 26, 2005

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'A.K. Azad', with a stylized flourish at the end.

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Primary Examiner
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